

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: ) PCT Legal Office Attorney  
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Application No.: 10/019,883 ) PCT No.: PCT/CN00/00296  
U.S. Nat'l. Phase Filing: December 27, 2001 ) Int. Filing: Sept. 30, 2000  
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR GENERATING AND )  
SEARCHING AN OPTIMAL MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD )  
DECISION TREE FOR HIDDEN MARKOV MODEL )  
(HMM) BASED SPEECH RECOGNITION )

RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.47(a)

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March 15, 2007 \_\_\_\_\_ Date

This is a Request for Reconsideration of the Decision on Petition Under 37 CFR §1.47(a) mailed from the Office on January 4, 2007. Applicant's petition to accept the above-referenced application without the signature of joint inventor Qing Guo was dismissed due to:

- (1) The failure to demonstrate a *bona fide* attempt to present a copy of the application papers (including the Declaration) to the nonsigning inventor for his signature, and failure to obtain Mr. Guo's refusal to sign the Declaration, either in writing or by telephone.
- (2) The failure to submit a first hand statement of the "diligent efforts" made to contact the nonsigning inventor.

(3) The Office objected to inventor Baosheng Yuan's executed Declaration because the inventor altered the address portion of the Declaration but failed to initial and date the changes. A new acceptable Declaration executed by Baosheng Yuan was required.

As to points (1) and (2) above, Applicant respectfully submits that subsequent to the filing of the petition to accept the above-referenced application without the signature of joint inventor Qing Guo, a new e-mail and home address were obtained and inventor Guo was contacted and presented with the required application papers (specification, claims, drawings and Declaration). Inventor Guo executed the Declaration which is attached herewith. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Office's decision be vacated in view of inventor Guo's executed Declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §371(c)(4).

As to point (3) above, inventor Baosheng Yuan was contacted and presented with the required application papers (specification, claims, drawings and Declaration with corrected address information). Inventor Yuan executed the Declaration which is attached herewith. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Office's decision be vacated in view of inventor Yuan's executed Declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §371(c)(4).

Also attached is a Petition for Extension of Time, extending the period for responding to the decision to April 4, 2007.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully asserted that all of the requirements for requesting entry into the national stage in the United States of America under 35 U.S.C. §371 have been met, and therefore the objections raised in the decision are now moot.

CONCLUSION

Please contact the undersigned at (503) 439-8778 if there are any questions or concerns regarding this submission. Consideration of this patent application and early allowance of all the claims is respectfully requested.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to the undersigned's Deposit Account #02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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